## Delaware River Sojourn 2002 – Day Six

Daily Plan ~ Day 6

Thursday, June 6, 2002

Day Coordinator: Linda Mead, Delaware & Raritan

Greenway

Crosswicks Creek, Hamilton - Trenton Marsh,

Bordentown, N.J.

8 Miles ~ Tidal waters, paddling with the tides.



Campers will breakfast at Tohickon Valley Park at 7:00 A.M. Break camp at 7:30 A.M. and travel to rendezvous.

9:00 A.M. Registration at Bordentown City Boat Ramp, Bordentown, N.J.

9:30 A.M. Safety talk and presentation of Lord/Lady High Admiral. Presentation by Linda Mead, Delaware & Raritan Greenway, "A Ride with the Tide Through the Marsh" and

"The Canoe and Kayak Trail at the Hamilton-Trenton Marsh."

10:00 A.M Launch

Morning Program on the river - "Points of Interest Along the Trail" and "The History and Significance of the Delaware & Raritan Canal" presented by Vicky Chirco, D&R Canal State Park Historian

12:00 P.M. Lunch at John A. Roebling Memorial Park, Watson's Woods

Lunch Program - "The Mystery of the Abbott Farm National Historic Landmark." Andrew J. Cosentino, retired art history professor and curator at the Library of Congress and the Smithsonian, will describe the mysterious excavations that led to a scandal among 19<sup>th</sup> century archaeological experts. Dr. C.C. Abbott played a major role in the development of American archaeology in the last quarter of the 19<sup>th</sup> century. Find out how far back his findings really go!

2:00 P.M. Resume paddling

Afternoon Program on the river, floating with the tide. A presentation on "Stalking the Wild Plants and Creatures of the Marsh" will be provided by Bill Rawlyk, D & R Greenway naturalist.

4:00 P.M. Take-out at Bordentown City Boat Ramp

Through-trippers travel to Hanby YMCA Camp, Wilmington, Del. for overnight camping. Sojourners cannot gain access to the campground until after 7:00 P.M. Dinner will be on your own.

## Many thanks to today's Sojourn Partners:

Bucks County Department of Parks & Recreation; Bucks County River Country; Andrew Cosentino; Delaware & Raritan Greenway; Friends of New Jersey State Museum; National Canoe Safety Patrol; New Jersey State Park Service, Delaware & Raritan Canal State Park; Washington Crossing Historic Park; Paint Island Canoe & Kayak

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Dear Friends of the Trenton/Hamilton Marsh,

I am sorry I cannot be with you on your tour of the marsh. The schedule of votes in the House of Representatives keeps me in Washington. It would be certainly be more enjoyable to canoe with you than to have to fight those who are seeking to undo the environmental regulations designed to protect natural resources like the marsh.

The Trenton/Hamilton Marsh is a precious jewel of solitude and respite for the humans who visit and it is a wonderful habitat for the plants and animals you will see here. It deserves our best effort to ensure that the marsh will forever remain as you experience it today.

I applaud the work of the D&R Greenway and so many others who have taken the marsh under wing and seeking to preserve this special place. I will do everything I can to help them. If some measure of federal protection is deemed appropriate for the marsh, I will work with my colleagues in the House to provide the needed assistance.

Please include me on your list of friends of the marsh. Working together, we can save it from the threats of encroachment and degradation protecting it for generations to come that can enjoy what you are enjoying today.

Sincerely,

RUSH HOLT

Sojourners spent Day Six paddling with the tides on Crosswicks Creek in the Hamilton-Trenton Marsh.

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Sojourners gathering around the guide.